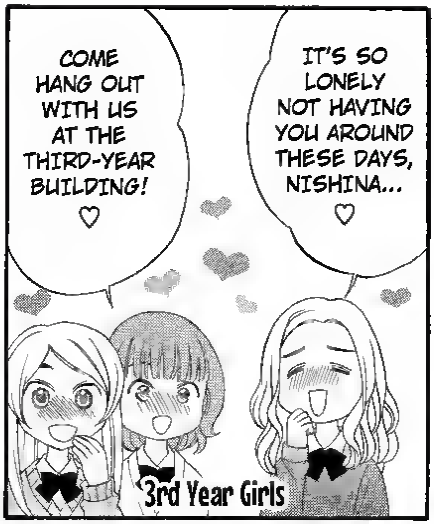
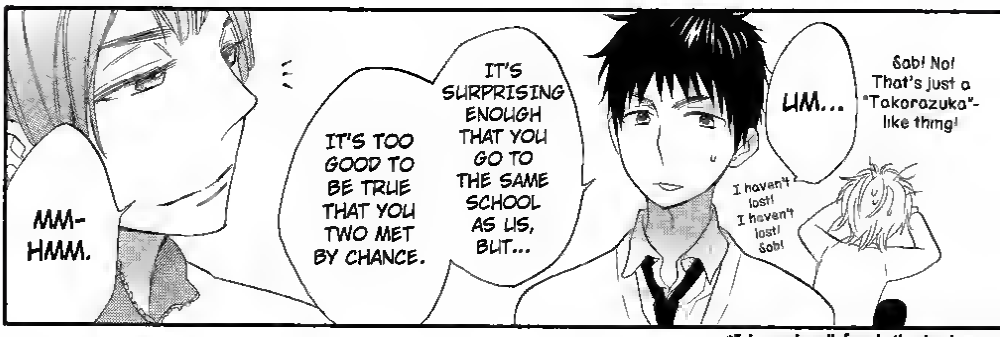
#9 KAE'S FIRST TIME ♥

Y...
Y...
YOU?!
PLEASED TO MEET YOU! ♡

WELL, THERE ARE A LOT OF PEOPLE IN MY GRADE...
YOU DIDN'T KNOW ABOUT HER?
whisper
whisper
ひそひそ
AND...
I'D LIKE TO INTRODUCE YOU TO SHIMA NISHINA-CHAN.
SHE'S A FIRST-YEAR, LIKE SHINOMIYA-KUN.
SHE WAS A GIRL ALL ALONG ...?
WE DO, DON'T WE? ♡
BUT AFTER TALKING TO YOU, WE GET ALONG REALLY WELL!!
I WAS SO SURPRISED 'CAUSE I THOUGHT YOU WERE A MALE COSPLAYER AT THE WINTER COMIKET...
IT'S RARE FOR HER TO BE IN THE SCHOOL CAFETERIA!! ♡
Oh!
IT'S NISHINA-SAN!!
Hmph!
This
SO SHE'S A GIRL, HUH... THEN I GUESS SHE DOESN'T COUNT...




MM-HMM.
IT'S TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE THAT YOU TWO MET BY CHANCE.
IT'S SURPRISING ENOUGH THAT YOU GO TO THE SAME SCHOOL AS US, BUT...
UM...
Sob! No! That's just a "Takarazuka"-like thing!
I haven't lost! I haven't lost! Sob!

*Takarazuka: all-female theatre troupe

I'VE HEARD THINGS ABOUT SERINUMA-SENPAI BEFORE...
"Th...things"?
BUT MEETING HER AT COMIKET WAS REALLY RANDOM CHANCE...
INDEED.
IT'S TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE.
slide
A CHANCE MEETING THAT'S TOO GOOD TO BE TRUE...
IT COULD BE... FATE...

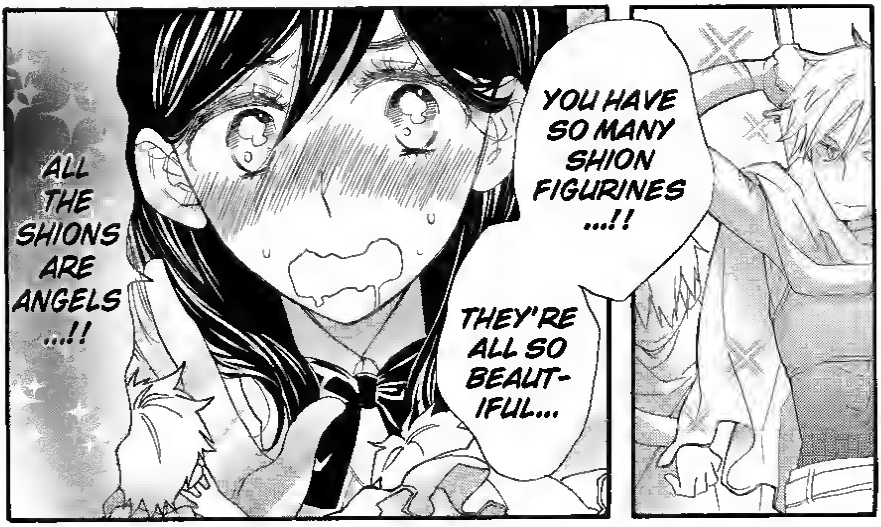
I WANT TO VALUE THIS BOND WE HAVE...
IF IT'S ALL RIGHT WITH YOU, PLEASE ALLOW ME TO INVITE YOU OVER TO MY HOUSE.
Talk the night away
WE'LL TALK THE NIGHT AWAY... ABOUT MIRAGE SAGA!
OH, YES!!
HOLD IT!!
WE'RE GOING TOO, DAMMIT!!
I... UH, ALSO WANNA TALK THE NIGHT AWAY!!

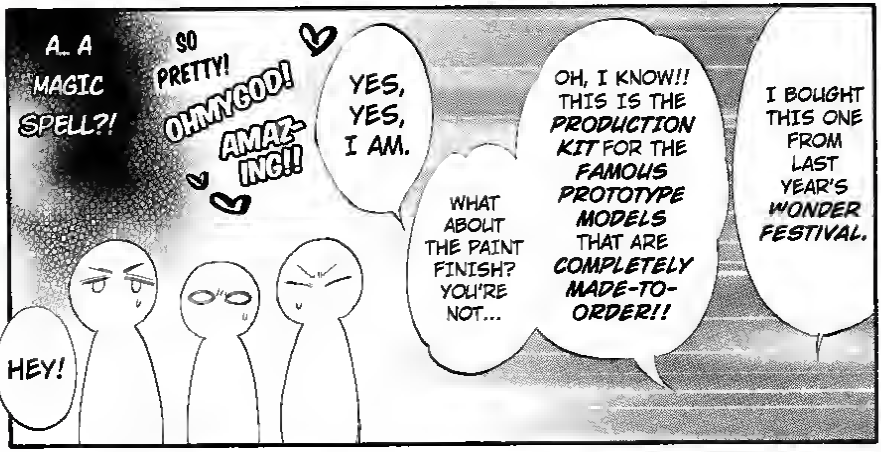
I FEEL LIKE I CAN'T LEAVE THOSE TWO ALONE!!
RIGHT, SHINO-MIYA-KUN?!
はははは AHAHA! AHAHA!
UH, FOR SURE! LET'S TALK UNTIL OUR THROATS GO RAW!!
ALL OF YOU ARE INTER-ESTED IN MIRAGE SAGA?!
BLUSH
I'M SO GLAD!!
あはは AHAHA! あはは AHAHA!
きゃっ SQUEAL きゃっ SQUEAL
.....
WELL, THEN, YOU'RE ALL MORE THAN WELCOME!
BUT I'D APPRECIATE IF YOU ALL COULD LISTEN TO A SMALL REQUEST. ♡
smile

BOOM
AMAZING ...!!
A...

WELCOME HOME, SHIMA-SAMA.
BA-BAM
BAM
PLEASE, THIS WAY.
MY ROOM IS ON THE THIRD FLOOR.
I GET WHAT YOU'RE TRYING TO SAY.
.....
DID THIS GIRL POP OUT OF SOME 2-D UNI-VERSE?

WHOA ...!!
AMAZING! AMAZING! JUST AMAZING!!
THIS ROOM IS MAINLY FOR MY FIGURINE COLLEC-TION.


ALL THE SHIONS ARE ANGELS ...!!
YOU HAVE SO MANY SHION FIGURINES ...!!
THEY'RE ALL SO BEAUT-IFUL...


A... A MAGIC SPELL?!
SO PRETTY!
OH MY GOD!
AMAZ-ING!!
YES, YES, I AM.
HEY!
WHAT ABOUT THE PAINT FINISH? YOU'RE NOT...
OH, I KNOW!! THIS IS THE PRODUCTION KIT FOR THE FAMOUS PROTOTYPE MODELS THAT ARE COMPLETELY MADE-TO-ORDER!!
I BOUGHT THIS ONE FROM LAST YEAR'S WONDER FESTIVAL.

YES, THOUGH THEY'RE PLASTIC MODELS.
DID YOU MAKE THESE TOO?
THIS IS TSURUGA CASTLE!
AND THIS ONE'S HIKONE CASTLE.

M...MU-TSUMI-SAN'S DOWN!!
GOSH, PLEASE... I STILL HAVE A LONG WAY TO GO!
Aw, thanks!
YOU'RE AMAZING, NISHINA-SAN!!

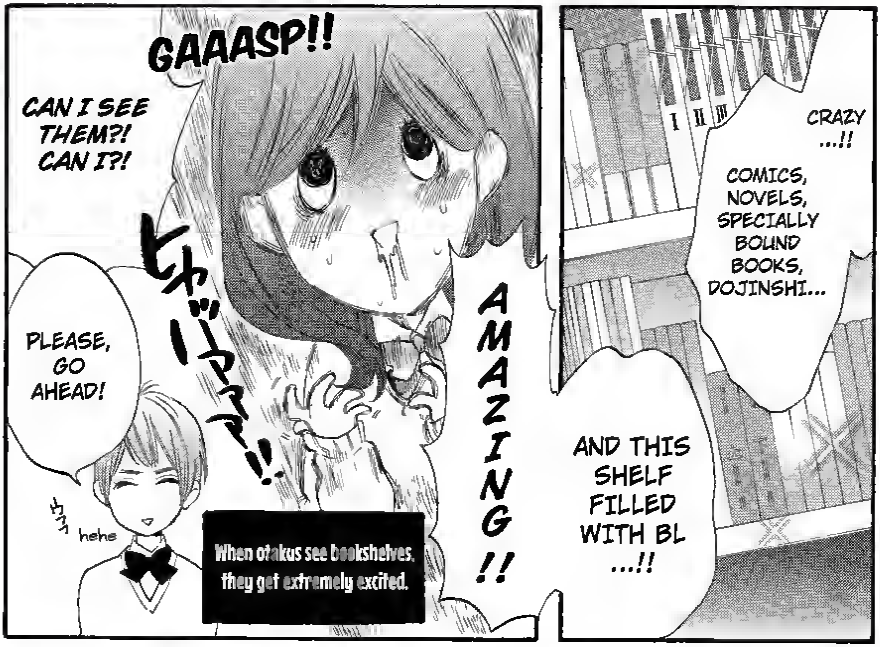
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
THOSE TWO SURE ARE CLOSE...
On the same wavelength, maybe?
ROGER THAT!!
Urk
WATCH OUT, YOU GUYS!!
SHE'S A TOUGH ONE!!
RUMBLE
RUMBLE

Cosplay Costume Room
THESE ARE ALL THE CLOTHES I'VE MADE UP 'TIL NOW.
WOW...!

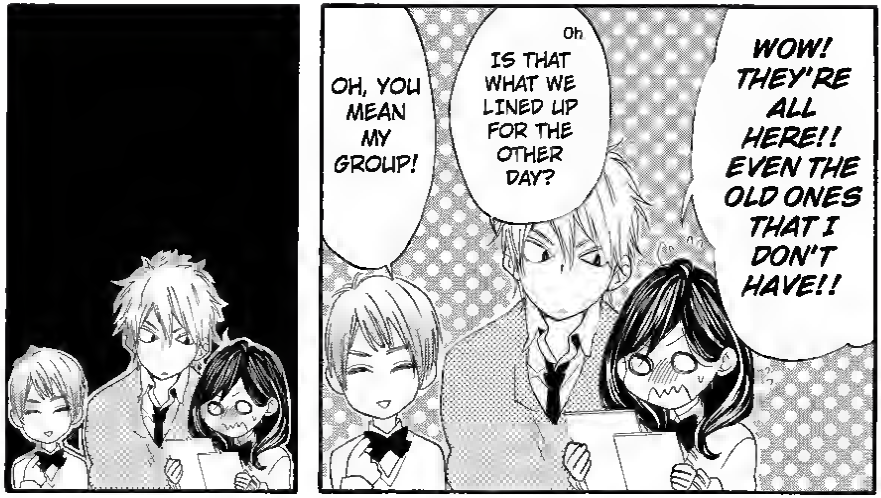
UH, YOU KNEW... ABOUT THAT ...?!
WHAT ABOUT YOU, SERINUMA-SAN? THE DRESS YOU MADE FOR SHINOMIYA-KUN WAS MARVELOUS!
OH, PLEASE!
YOU CAN MAKE JUST ABOUT ANYTHING CAN'T YOU, SHIMA-CHAN?
So cute!
How lovely!
DON'T SAY I'M CUTE!
RAWR
くわっ
SHINO-MIYA-KUN WAS SO CUTE!
YEAH, I SAW THE PLAY!
YOU TELL HER!
I TOLD YOU NOT TO SAY THAT! YOU'RE MAKING A FOOL OUT OF ME!
ぷんっ
PUFF
HUFF
ぷん
HUH...? YOU REALLY WERE, THOUGH!

YOU WORE THAT BEAUTIFUL DRESS MARVELOUSLY!
I'M NOT.
BLUSH
W... WELL... THANKS THEN...
smile
smile
blush
cool
cool
blush
THAT FOOL!!
Undependable dimwit!!
I JUST TOLD YOU TO BE CAREFUL!!
EASY THERE...
WHAT AN IDIOT...

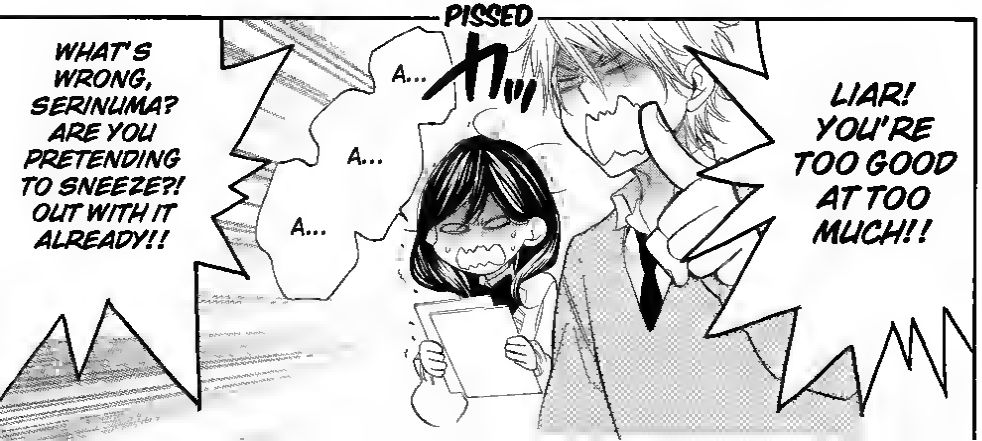
WOW! WHAT IS IT?! WHAT IS IT?!
NOW THEN...
THE ROOM I WANT TO SHOW YOU THE MOST IS THIS WAY.
BUT SHE IS A PRETTY SMOOTH TALKER...
Library
WOWWWW !!!
W...
W...



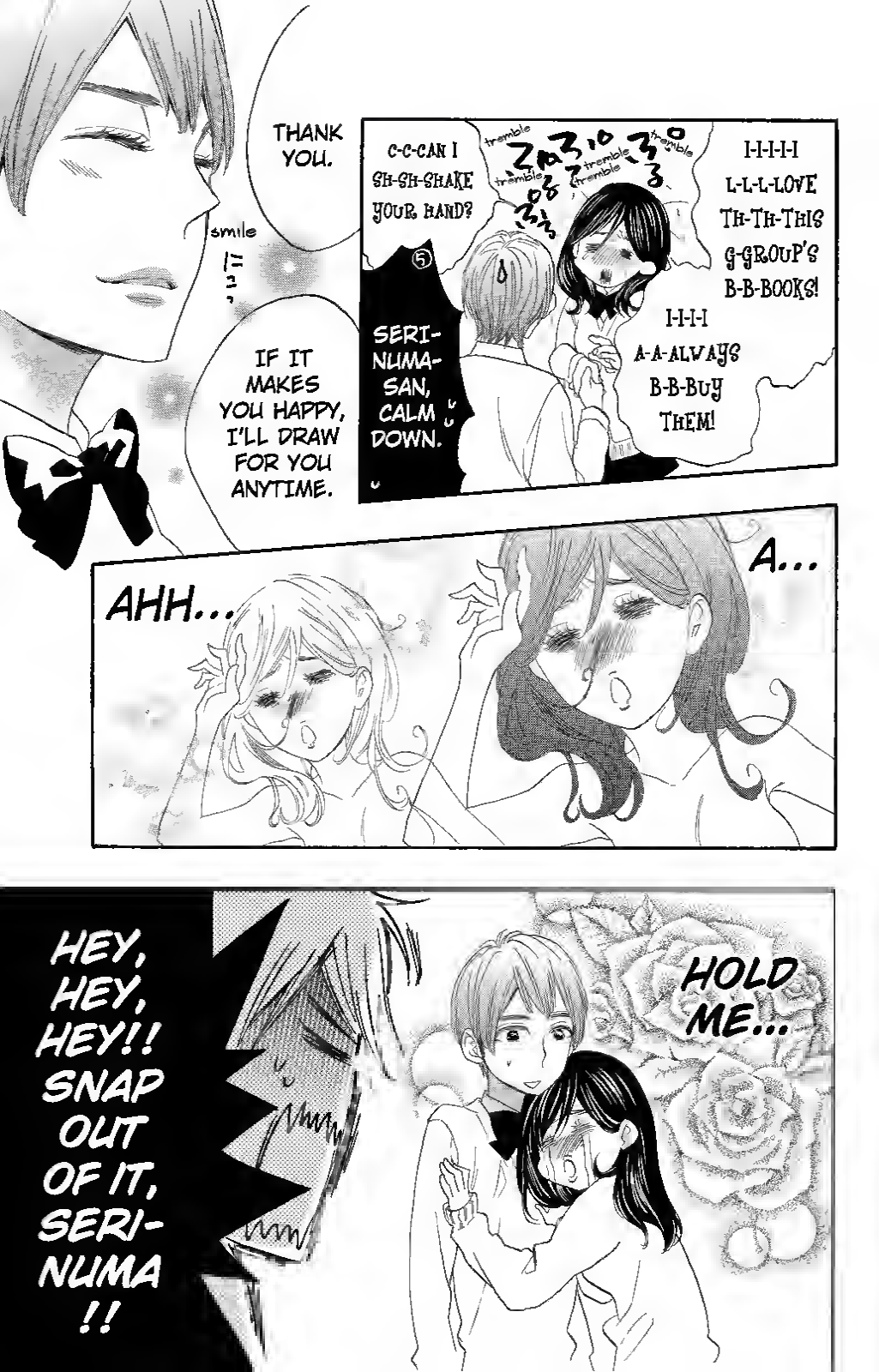
Couplings are done separately. →


WOW! THEY'RE ALL HERE!! EVEN THE OLD ONES THAT I DON'T HAVE!!
Oh
IS THAT WHAT WE LINED UP FOR THE OTHER DAY?
OH, YOU MEAN MY GROUP!

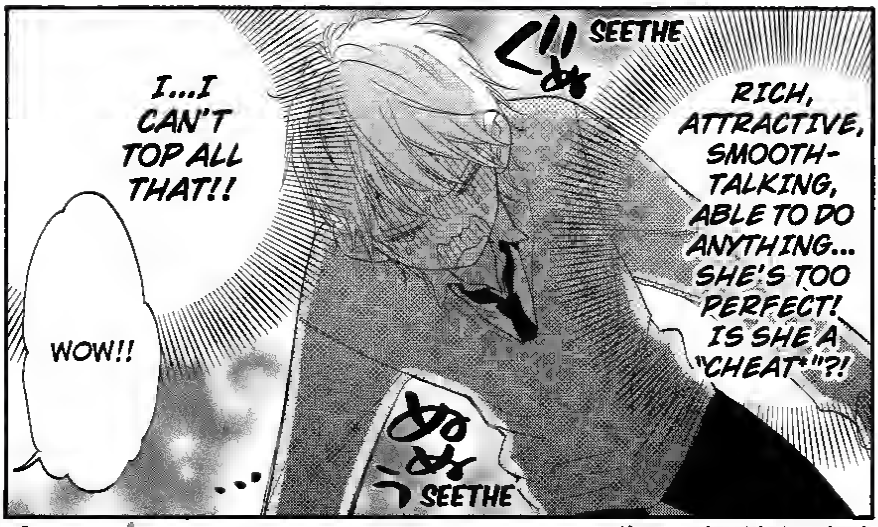
HUH?!
THAT'S FROM MY GROUP.
I ALSO DRAW MANGA.
Like this...
Although I let my people do the selling since I wanna do cosplay


PISSED
WHAT'S WRONG, SERINUMA? ARE YOU PRETENDING TO SNEEZE?! OUT WITH IT ALREADY!!
A...
A...
A...
LIAR! YOU'RE TOO GOOD AT TOO MUCH!!

ARE YOU SERIOUS ...?!
YUP.
さらさらー
scrib
scrib
MAYBE THIS WILL CONVINCE YOU...
YOU'RE REALLY ...?!
HERE.
ドン
BOOM
ARE YOU...
SOME KINDA GOD?!
Whoa!
So good!


THANK YOU.
smile
IF IT MAKES YOU HAPPY, I'LL DRAW FOR YOU ANYTIME.
C-C-CAN I SH-SH-SHAKE YOUR HAND?
tremble
⑤
SERI-NUMA-SAN, CALM DOWN.
I-I-I-I L-L-L-LOVE TH-TH-THIS G-GROUP'S B-B-BOOKS!
I-I-I-I A-A-ALWAYS B-B-BUY THEM!
AHH...
A...
HEY, HEY, HEY!! SNAP OUT OF IT, SERI-NUMA!!
HOLD ME...

THAT'S NEITHER GOOD NOR BAD!!
ARGH!
めおおお
C'MON, I CAN DRAW LIKE THAT!!
I DIDN'T GET A 3 IN ART FOR NOTHING! (ON A SCALE OF FIVE)
SHAD-DUP!!
shaa
shaa
COLLAPSE
NO GOOD!!
HAH!!
BOOM

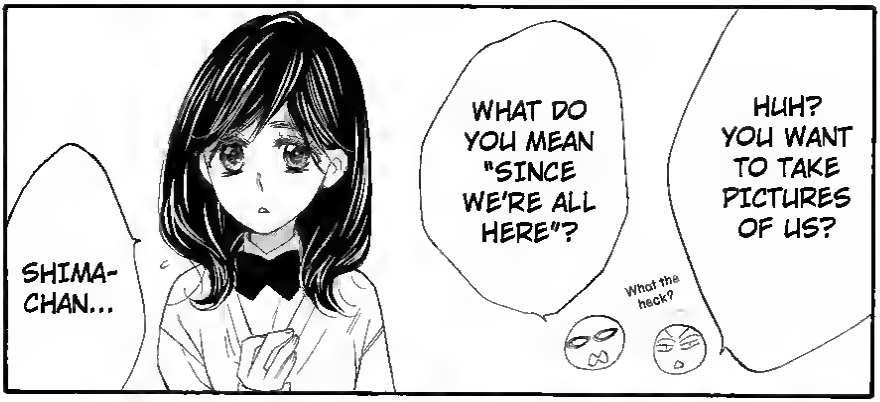


*A person whose talent stands out

IT'S A WONDER-FUL SHION!!
IT'S SO CUTE!!
SQUEEZE
HAPPY
UH... OH!!
HOW'S MINE?!
I ALSO DREW ONE.
SNIFF
Hehe
Shion
SHION
EEEK! THEY'RE ALL SO CUUUUTE!
SHE'D BE HAPPY WITH ANYTHING AS LONG AS SHION'S NAME IS ON IT...
SHOCK
SO MANY SHIONS! I'M SO HAPPY!!
SQUEAL
SQUEAL

.....
Hmph..
WELL THEN!
snap
DO YOU ALL REMEMBER HOW I SAID I HAD A REQUEST?
COME THIS WAY!

I WANT CHARACTER MODELS THAT I CAN USE WHEN I DRAW, SO...
WELL ...
WHAT ARE WE DOING?
SINCE YOU'RE ALL HERE!
I WANT YOU ALL TO BE MODELS FOR ME...
HUH?


SHIMA-CHAN...
WHAT DO YOU MEAN "SINCE WE'RE ALL HERE"?
What the heck?
HUH? YOU WANT TO TAKE PICTURES OF US?

YES!!
SHIVER
?!
YOU MEAN, "SINCE ALL THESE HOTTIES ARE TO-GETHER," RIGHT?!

WHAT WERE YOU TWO DISCUSS-ING?!
drip
EVERYONE, GET INTO PAIRS... IGARASHI-KUN WITH NANASHIMA-KUN, AND MUTSUMI-SENPAI WITH SHINOMIYA-KUN!!
OKAY!
The easy way to do this
Sure enough, this here
Go back to the basics
Best friends.
Age diff-erence.
whisper
whisper
whisper
whisper
whisper

FIRST, WE'LL START WITH...
A TRIAL RUN!
snap
snap
BRING YOUR FACES CLOSER TOGETHER!
LEAN INTO EACH OTHER A BIT!!
PART YOUR LIPS JUST A TAD!!
SO MANY ORDERS !!

Wow... You're so thin
LIKE THIS?
slide
slump
.....
PERFECT!!
NOW HOW 'BOUT RESTING YOUR CHIN ON HIS SHOULDER?
shudder
LIKE THIS?
hug
AAAAH!
AH!

OHHHH!
OHHHH!
OHHHH!
STOP!!
Oh, sorry!
HAHAHA!
squeeze
GASP!
sniff
sniff
SHINO-MIYA-KUN, YOU USE THE SAME LAUNDRY DETERGENT AS ME.
IT SMELLS NICE, HUH?
HUH?!
GOOD!
OKAY, NEXT! ONE OF YOU, LAY YOUR HEAD ON THE OTHER'S LAP...
SHIMA-CHAN!!
I THINK YOU'VE GOT ENOUGH MATERIAL.
WHAT? BUT YOU MADE A PROMISE.
WE'RE NOT GONNA DO THAT, YOU IDIOT!! GROSS!!

THIS IS HOW YOU LAY YOUR HEAD ON YOUR PARTNER'S LAP!
IT'LL BE FASTER IF WE SHOW THEM HOW IT'S DONE!!
UH...
BOOM
grab
WH...WHAT IS SHE TALKING ABOUT?
*She's talking about the BL cover
PLUS, IT'S EYE-CATCHING!
IT'S GOOD IF YOU BRING THE CHEEK CLOSER TO YOU LIKE THIS, 'CAUSE THE GENTLE FEELING OF LOVE GETS PORTRAYED!!

THEN BRING YOUR HEADS CLOSER...
GASP

DROP
ばっ!!
WAH!
I-I'M SORRY!! I GOT SO CAUGHT UP IN THE MO-MENT...

BLUSH
かぁぁ
I FEEL SO EMBARRASSED...
I...
YOU'RE SO CUTE, SENPAI...

HUH?

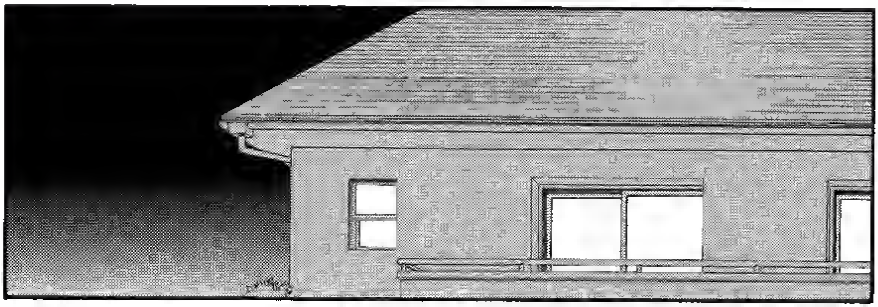
???!!!
kiss
lick
HUH ...?!
?

grab
HUH? HUH? DID SHE JUST... HUH?!
WHAT THE HECK ARE YOU DOING, NISHINA?!
WHAT THE-...?!
はっ
gasp
HUH?
TONE THE PRACTICAL JOKES DOWN, WILL YA?!
RIGHT NOW...
THAT WASN'T A JOKE.
I...

I SAID I WASN'T JOKING AROUND.
OH!
YEAH, I'VE SEEN THAT BEFORE!
SE-SERINUMA, THAT KISS JUST NOW DIDN'T COUNT, OKAY?! IT DIDN'T COUNT!!
I MEAN, STARS DO STUFF LIKE THAT TOO, Y'KNOW?!
LIKE A●B, FOR EXAMPLE.
THIS GIRL....!
She went and did it!
dazed
I'M BEING VERY SERIOUS.

...!!!
Kae Serinuma, 17 years old...
Her very first kiss... was with a handsome girl!!

#10 SENPAI, I...



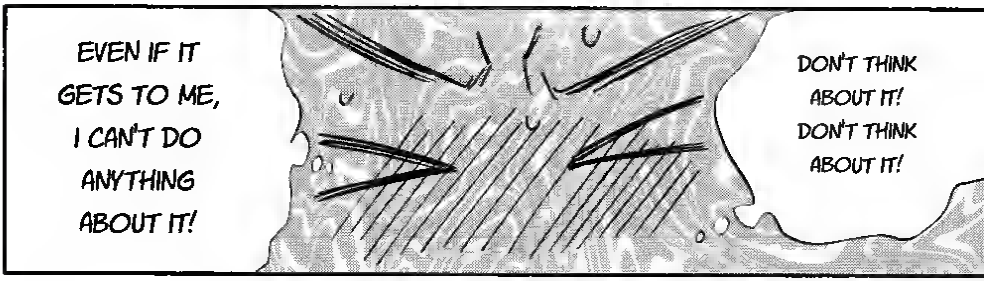
SALE!
みんなの新着イラスト
Everyone's New Illustrations
OH!!
THEY PUT UP THE NEW MIRAGE SAGA WORK!
NICE! IT'S A MANGA!

OHHH... TERRA COUPLED WITH SHION!!
I LIKE! I LIKE!!
CLAK CLAK CLAK
HEH HEH HEH

はっ
gasp

Oh my...

ゴロゴロゴロ
ROLL
ROLL
ROLL
WAAAHHH!
WAAAHHH!!


EVEN IF IT GETS TO ME, I CAN'T DO ANYTHING ABOUT IT!
DON'T THINK ABOUT IT! DON'T THINK ABOUT IT!

I'M BEING VERY SERIOUS.
HUH ...?
...?!

?!
SMILE
JUST KIDDING!!

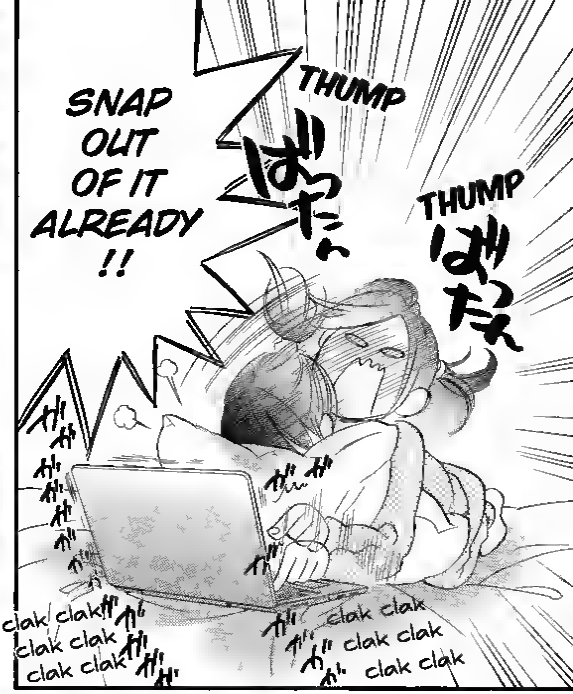
HUH? BUT IT WAS BETWEEN GIRLS, SO IT DOESN'T COUNT, RIGHT?
YOU'RE JUST GONNA JUSTIFY IT AS TEASING ?!
ER!

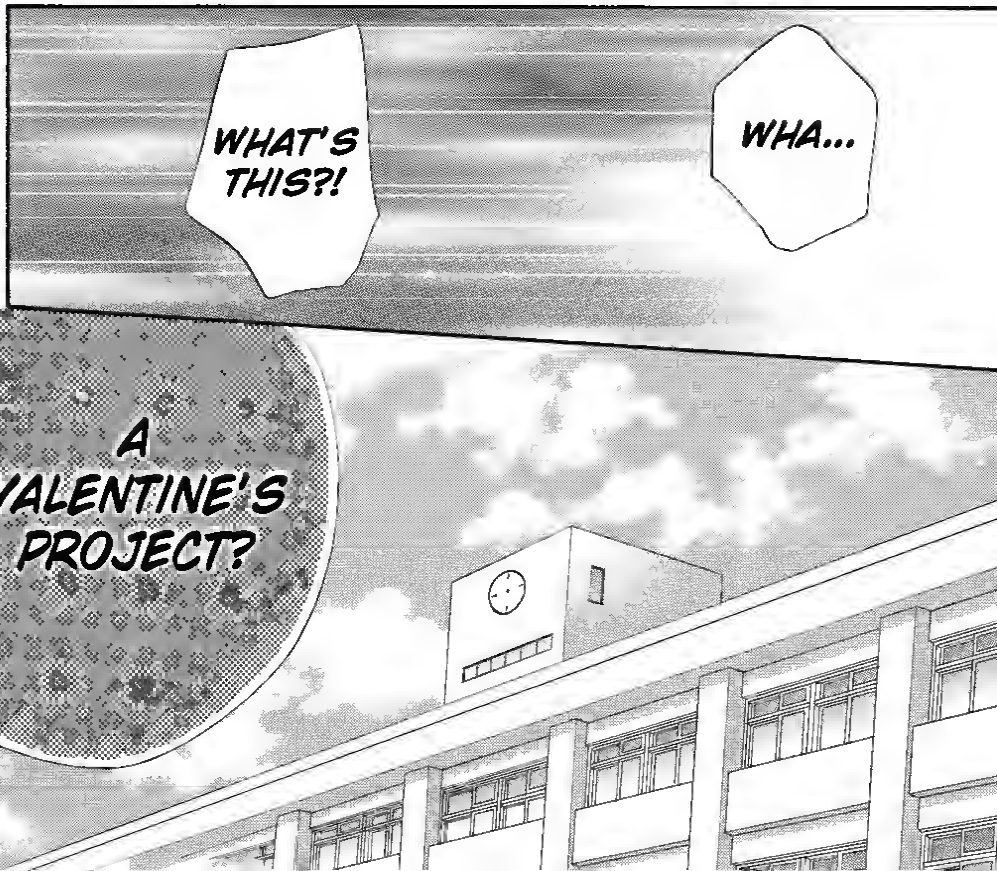
YOU WERE BEING SO CUTE THAT I WANTED TO TEASE YOU, SENPAI! ♡
SORRY.

AHAHA!
はっ
はっ
はっ
I WAS SO SUR-PRISED!!
OH...
OHH...!!

OH, SHIMA-CHAN, YOU!!
あっはっは
HAHAHA
HAHAHA
あっはっは
SORRY!
NGH ...
もわわ
clak clak
WARM
IT WAS JUST PHYSICAL CONTACT! TOTALLY NORMAL...
IT DOESN'T COUNT!! IT DOESN'T COUNT!!
SHE WAS PLAYING AROUND, AND SHE'S A GIRL ANYWAY...
clak clak

?!
gasp


SNAP OUT OF IT ALREADY !!
THUMP
ばったん
THUMP
ばったん
clak clak clak clak clak clak
clak clak clak clak clak clak


WHA...
WHAT'S THIS?!
A VALENTINE'S PROJECT?

HUH...
萌えよバレンタイン!
ミラ サガ × pixiv コラボ企画
Mirage Saga and pixiv collaboration project!
SHOW YOUR LOVE ON VALENTINE'S!
ミラ サガキャラにチョコを贈ろう!
Send chocolates to Mirage Saga characters!
A LUXURY PRIZE FOR THE WINNER...
WHOEVER WINS THE AWARD OF EXCELLENCE RECEIVES AN ILLUSTRATION DRAWN BY THE CHARACTER DESIGNER?!
AND AN EXCLUSIVE SIGNED PICTURE WITH THEIR NAME ON IT?!
I GOTTA HAVE THIS!!
FIRST, I HAVE TO RESEARCH WHAT KIND OF DESIGN WOULD BE GOOD!!
HUH...?
Character design?
ゴゴゴゴ
INTENSE

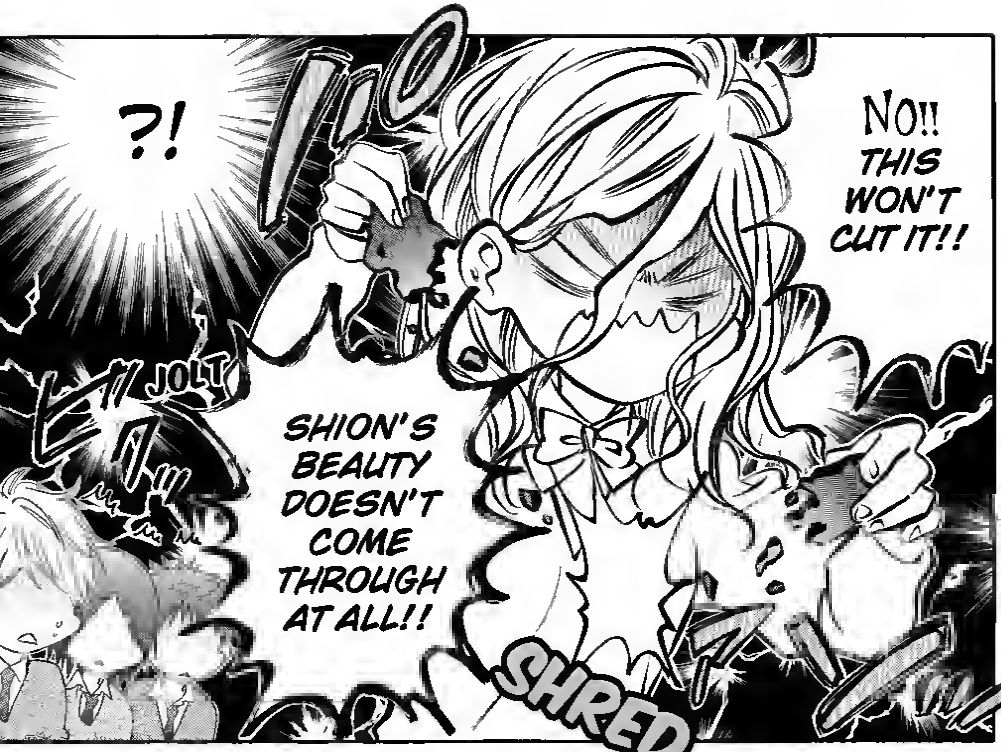
SENPAI!
♡
HELLO!
かわいい、
OH, SHIMA-CHAN...
さっ
fwip
WHAT'S THE BIG IDEA? I JUST WANT TO TALK WITH SERINUMA-SENPAI...
You're awfully close.
Then step back
I DON'T WANT YOU WITHIN A 2 METER RADIUS OF HER.
HUH? WHAT'S THAT?

ひょい!?
poke
OF COURSE I DID!! ARE YOU SUBMITTING ONE TOO, SHIMA-CHAN?!
OH, UH-HUH!
DID YOU SEE THE MESSAGE ABOUT THE VALENTINE'S COLLABORATION?
ひょい!?
poke
SENPAI!
キャア
SQUEAL
COOL! ME TOO!!
I STILL HAVEN'T DECIDED, BUT I'M THINKING OF MAKING SOMETHING ORIGINAL.
It's okay, it's okay!
GRR...
WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO?!
I THOUGHT YOU WOULD!
YES!
キャア
SQUEAL
HUH?!
BADUMP
WOULD YOU LIKE TO MAKE A TRIAL PIECE AT MY PLACE?
AND THIS IS JUST AN OFFER, BUT...

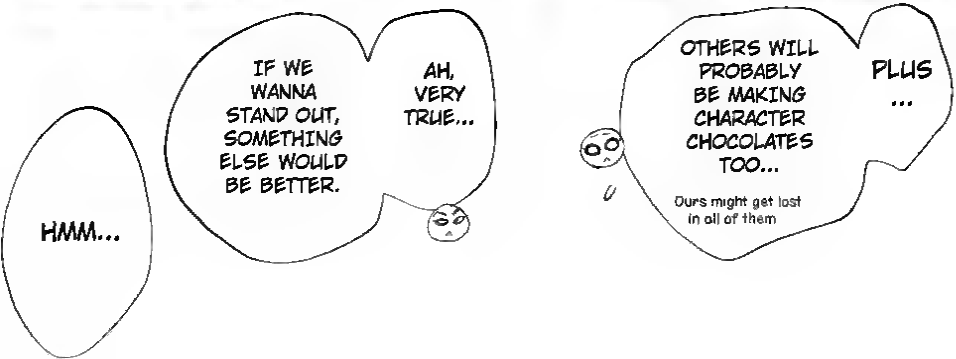
HUH?!
SHALL I INVITE MUTSUMI-SENPAI AND SHI-NOMIYA-KUN AS WELL?
I DON'T MIND IF YOU TWO ALSO COME OVER AGAIN.
OH!
YOU...
YOU JUST HAD HER OVER YESTERDAY AND YOU'RE ALREADY GONNA-
WHY, YOU LITTLE-!!!
THAT WOULD PUT YOU AT EASE, RIGHT? PLUS...
smirk
IT MAY BE FUN FOR YOU BOYS TO WATCH US MAKE CHOCOLATES YOU'LL NEVER GET TO EAT...!
FUME
BE MY GUEST! ♡
WHAT IF WE DO GO?!
FUME

And so...
MAKING "CHARACTER CHOCOLATES" IS THE STANDARD, ISN'T IT?
YUP.
"CHARACTER CHOCOLATES"?
CHOCOLATES WITH AN ILLUSTRATION DRAWN ON THEM.
OHH... I'VE SEEN THOSE BEFORE.
Like this
LET'S JUST TRY MAKING ONE FOR NOW!
I got this from the web!
rustle
rustle
FIRST, WE GET THE PICTURE WE WANT TO MAKE INTO CHOCOLATE READY...

WE DRAW THE PICTURE ON COOKING PAPER WITH A PENCIL...
TURN IT OVER AND TRACE IT WITH A CHOCOLATE PEN...
COOL IT IN THE FRIDGE SO THAT IT HARDENS, THEN FILL IT IN WITH COLORED CHOCOLATE.
ALL DONE !!
OOH!!
TA-DAH
GRIP
WHAT AN AMAZING JOB...!!
murmur
HUH?! ISN'T IT YOUR FIRST TIME MAKING THESE?! INCREDIBLE!!
THIS SHOULD DO IT!
Aah!
Ooh!


?!
NO!! THIS WON'T CUT IT!!
JOLT
SHION'S BEAUTY DOESN'T COME THROUGH AT ALL!!
SHRED

S... SCARY !!
shiver
IT HAS TO BE STRONGER, MORE EPHEMERAL... THIS WON'T DO!!
crunch
crunch
SHION IS SO MUCH MORE BEAUTIFUL THAN THIS!!


HMM...
IF WE WANNA STAND OUT, SOMETHING ELSE WOULD BE BETTER.
AH, VERY TRUE...
OTHERS WILL PROBABLY BE MAKING CHARACTER CHOCOLATES TOO...
Ours might get lost in all of them
PLUS ...

OH!
HOW 'BOUT WE MAKE OURS 3-D?
3-D?
SO... WHAT I MEAN IS...
scrap scrap scrap
SOME-THING LIKE THIS.
WOW!!
IT'S SO BEAUTIFUL... INCRED-IBLE...
Wow— Amoz-ing
"3-D" is hard to get!
IT'S 3-D!!
CALL IT A "SCULP-TURE" !!

Shima's Pen Name
AMAZING AS ALWAYS, YOKOSHIMA-SENSEI...
P...PLEASE... WILL YOU... TEACH ME...?!!
IF YOU WILL HAVE ME, THEN GLADLY!
LET US AIM FOR THAT STAR (THE PRIZE) TOGETHER ...!!
WHAT'S WITH THE MOOD?!

And so, the intensive training began...
Just hmm deeper
Hey, you! You're in the middle of class!
Day after day...
Cutting Practice (?)
whoosh
whoosh
whoosh
PANT
PANT
Eraser
THIS IS NO GOOD !!!
SMASH
the training to create the ideal Shion continued.
MAYBE ...
SHE'S MAKING CHOCO-LATE... RIGHT?
Oh!
YEAH, REALLY!
WELL DOOONE!
WHAT DO YOU THINK? PRETTY GOOD, HUH?
However...

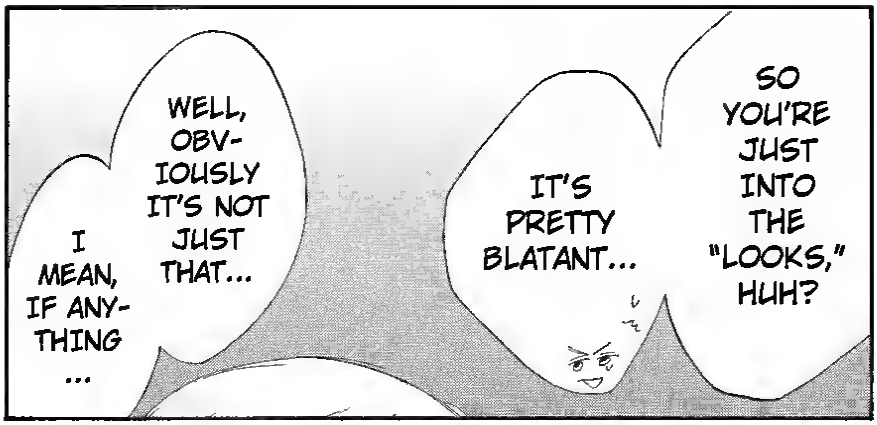
AND...
ちら glance
HOW ARE YOU GUYS GETTING SO GOOD AT THIS?!
VERY GOOD!
キャピ
GIGGLE
OH, YEAH, TOTALLY!
キャピ
GIGGLE
MINE'S PRETTY GOOD TOO, RIGHT?
Check it out!!
ゴゴゴ
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
WHY IS SHE NOT IMPROVING AT ALL?

H...HUH?!
IS IT REALLY THIS HARD FOR ME TO MAKE SOME-THING 3-D?!
AFTER REPEATING "THIS IS NO GOOD" OVER AND OVER, IT'S ALREADY...
grip
ALREADY
SO CLOSE TO THE DEADLINE ...
AT THIS RATE...
SENPAI! ♡
WAH!
SH... SHIMA-CHAN!
YOU SCARED ME!!
HEHE!

IT'S ALL RIGHT. YOU CAN DO IT.
JUST LET GO OF ANY EXCESS TENSION.
FIRST, MAKE SURE YOU'RE HAVING FUN...
OKAY?
OKAY.
THANKS, SHIMA-CHA...
はっ
gasp
SHE'S SO CLOSE!!

HEY!!
jump
YANK
GEEZ...
WAHH!
WAHH!
Grr...
Argh...
MY GUT'S TELLING ME NOT TO LET YOU ANYWHERE NEAR SERINUMA ...
ARE YOU AN ANIMAL?
I'M JUST A GIRL, SO THERE SHOULDN'T BE ANYTHING FOR THEM TO WORRY ABOUT...
Boo
OH REALLY ?

PERS-
ONALLY,
I THINK
NANA'S
GUT IS
DEAD
ON...
IF NOT,
WHAT'S
YOUR
MOTIVE
BEHIND
ALL
THIS?
HMPH...
Should I practice on the eraser one more time?
I...
LIKE
THINGS
THAT ARE
CUTE AND
BEAUTI-
FUL.
THAT'S
WHY I'M
ATTRACTED
TO HER.
THAT'S
ALL.


SO YOU'RE JUST INTO THE "LOOKS," HUH?
IT'S PRETTY BLATANT...
WELL, OBV-IOUSLY IT'S NOT JUST THAT...
I MEAN, IF ANY-THING ...

THE ONE WHO'S JUST INTO THE "LOOKS" IS YOU, RIGHT, IGARASHI-SENPAI?

Okay, let's have tea...
Yay!

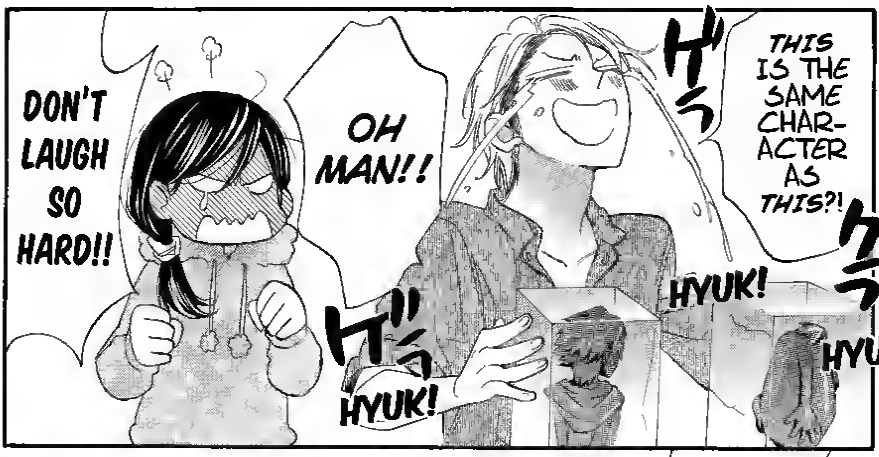
And on the final day....
DONE ...!!
BOOM
WHY IS IT AVANTE-GARDE ART...?!
GULP...
WH...

COLLAPSE
がばっ
BANG
バン
IT'S A-ALL RIGHT!! I SAID IT'S PRETTY GOOD!!
I KEPT REMAKING IT OVER AND OVER AT HOME UNTIL I COULDN'T FIGURE OUT WHAT WAS WHAT ANYMORE!
IT'S TERRIBLE, RIGHT?!
.....
YEAH, YOUR EYE GOES STRAIGHT TO IT! IT'S VERY ECCENTRIC!
YEAH! IT'S VERY AVANTE-GARDE!
AH! I DIDN'T MEAN IT LIKE THAT...
SORRY...
IDIOT!
あわわわ
SMACK
ビシッ
WAAAHHH!
EC... CENTRIC...

FWIP
SHINE
Shion!!
ARE YOU SOME KINDA PRO?!
?!
SERI-NUMA-SENPAI!
USE THIS ONE THAT I MADE, IF YOU'D LIKE!
WHA?!

PLEASE SUBMIT THIS IN YOUR NAME.
WHA?!
WHAT?! OH, I CAN'T! IT'S SO MAG-NIFI-CENT!!
shake shake
BUT YOU WANNA WIN, DON'T YOU?
IN THAT CASE, IT'S SAFER TO TAKE THIS ONE, ISN'T IT?
WELL...
THAT'S TRUE...
.....

GYAHA HAHA HAHAHA HAHA!!
OH MY GOD!! YOU CAN'T BE SERI-OUS!!


THIS IS THE SAME CHAR-ACTER AS THIS?!
ゲラ
HYUK!
ゲラ
HYUK!
OH MAN!!
DON'T LAUGH SO HARD!!
ゲラ
HYUK!

THIS IS FAR AND AWAY THE CRAPPIEST THING OUT OF EVERYTHING YOU'VE EVER MADE!!
ぎゃっはっはは
GYAHAHAHAHA!
ARGH!! JUST GET OUT!!
shove
shove
SIGH...

munch
HOW PATH-ETIC...
rustle
AND I PRAC-TICED SO MUCH...
SO SWEET... ♡
AH... SO TASTY...
I GET IT...
snap
AH...

I...
WHAT ?!!
YOU ENDED UP SENDING IN THE ONE YOU MADE?!
HUH?
SHE SAYS THAT NOW?!
IT IS A VALENTINE'S CHOCOLATE AFTER ALL, RIGHT?
YUP.
I MEAN ...

SO THERE'D BE NO POINT IF I SENT SOMETHING IN THAT WASN'T FROM THE HEART...
I REMEMBERED THAT THE CHOCOLATE WAS A PRESENT.
EVEN IF IT WAS POORLY DONE...
THAT WAS A GIFT FROM THE HEART...
SO I WANTED TO SEND IT IN.

AND YOU HAD ALREADY GIVEN ME YOURS TO SUBMIT, SHIMA-CHAN...
BOW
I'M SO SORRY!
NOT AT ALL.
I THINK THAT PART OF YOU...
IS WHAT MAKES YOU SO WON-DERFUL, SENPAI.
HUH?!
OH, NO...
AHAHA!
AH!
O...
OH, RIGHT!

THIS IS A TOKEN OF MY THANKS FOR ALWAYS ...
BEING SO KIND TO ME.
hehe

WHAT A WAY TO SAY THANKS.
Although I get it...
munch munch
YEAH ...
SHE'S REALLY CUTE, HUH...?
.....
MM!
chomp
IT WAS ALL ABOUT THE LOOKS AT THE START...
WITH HER BEING SO CUTE...
BUT ...
WITH HER UNEXPECTED GESTURES, AND HER CONSTANTLY CHANGING FACE...
I CAN'T SEEM TO TAKE MY EYES OFF HER...

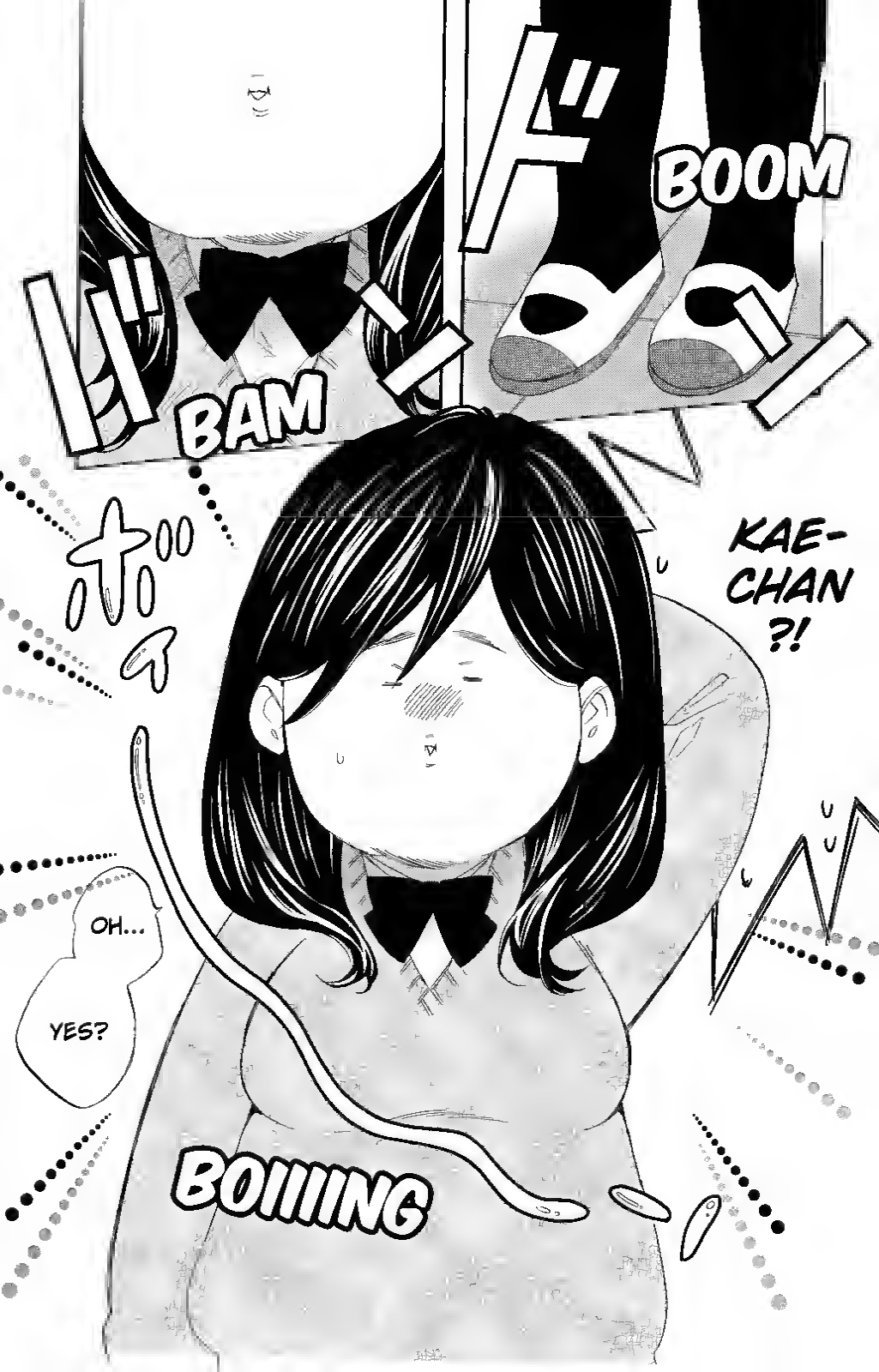
AT THAT TIME, I DIDN'T KNOW...

I DIDN'T KNOW THAT...
SE...
RINU-MA...
SAN ?!
THE DAY WOULD COME...
HII
OH...
YES.
BOOM
WHERE MY FEELINGS WOULD BE PUT TO THE TEST.

MOTE

#11 BACK TO MY ORIGINAL SELF! WHAT SHOULD I DO?!

KA...


BAM
BOOM
KAE-CHAN ?!
OH...
YES?
BOIIING

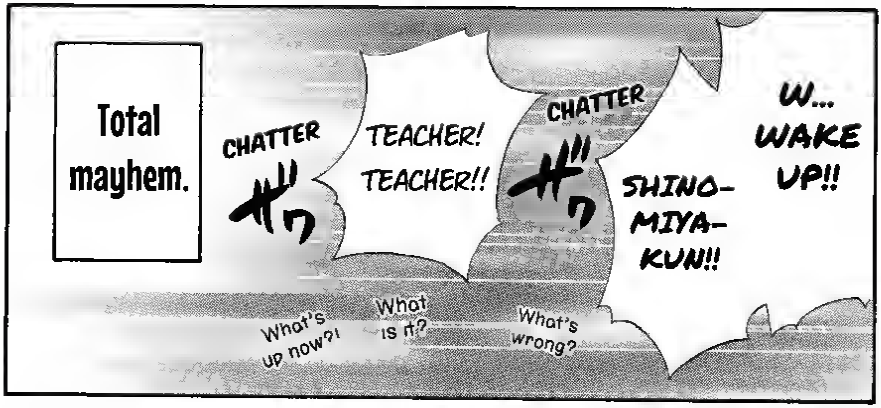
WHA... WHAT THE HECK HAPPENED?! WHY ARE YOU...
I MEAN, LOOK AT YOU!!
WELL ...
THESE
I HAD A LOT OF FAILED VALENTINE'S CHOCOLATE CREATIONS LEFT OVER...
AND IT'S A WASTE TO THROW THEM AWAY, RIGHT?
CHOMP CHOMP もぐもぐ
WHEN I ATE THEM ALL OVER THE WEEKEND ...
CHOMP CHOMP もぐもぐ
SO...
CHOMP CHOMP もぐもぐ

WHAT KIND OF BODY DOES SHE HAVE?!!
blush
THIS IS WHAT HAPPENED TO ME.
HOLD ON... YOU'RE REALLY SERI-NUMA?!
NO WAY!!
wahh!
wahh!
BUT I THINK THIS IS HOW SHE ORIGINALLY LOOKED...
NOW THAT YOU MENTION IT...
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE

OH!
GOOD MORNING!
JOLT
ビクッ
M-MORNING!
ARE YOU FEELING OKAY?
HUH?
FLUSTERED
UH...
UH...
UH-HUH...
JUST THAT... IT'S NOT GOOD FOR YOUR BODY TO SUDDENLY FLUCTUATE IN WEIGHT.
I'LL BE CAREFUL! THANKS FOR YOUR CONCERN!
OH... YEAH, THAT'S RIGHT.
SMILE

THUD
NANA ?!
NANA!!
GET AHOLD OF YOURSELF!!
OH CRAP! NANASHIMA'S FROTHING AT THE MOUTH!
I-I'LL CALL THE TEACHER!!
BUMP
JUST HOLD ON!!
DASH
OOF!

SHINO-MIYA-KUN?!
OH, I'M SO SOR-...
HUH?!
DEAD
crumble
crumble
BANG
BOING


Total mayhem.
CHATTER
TEACHER! TEACHER!!
CHATTER
SHINO-MIYA-KUN!!
W... WAKE UP!!
What's up now?!
What is it?
What's wrong?

保健室
Infirmary

AT ALL COST!!
WE GOTTA GET HER TO LOSE WEIGHT!!
ER... THERE'S NOTHING WE CAN REALLY DO...
DON'T GIVE UP, YOU NUMB-SKULL!!
ARE YOU REALLY OKAY WITH THIS?!
HEY! COME BACK HERE!!
IT'S JUST A DREAM... JUST A DREAM... JUST A DREAM... IF I SLEEP AND WAKE UP AGAIN, MY SENPAI WILL BE BACK TO THE WAY SHE ALWAYS WAS... SO I GOTTA GO BACK TO SLEEP...
...
LOOK AT THE STATE HE'S IN! THE POOR WRETCH!!

BLUNT
ぶっちゃけ
I'D MUCH PREFER A BEAUTY WITH A GOOD PERSONALITY TO A BEAST WITH ONE!!
THERE'S ONLY ONE CHOICE THEN!!

I KNOW SHE HAS A GOOD PERSONALITY...
I ALSO KNOW THAT SHE'S SUPER CUTE WHEN SHE'S SKINNY...

Y...
YOU'RE BEING SO BLUNT THAT I CAN'T HELP BUT GET UP.
Un
RISE

BUT I KNOW WHAT YOU'RE GETTING AT!!
GRAB
RIGHT?! RIGHT?!!
WHOA...

DEEP INSIDE, I'M SURE SHE WANTS TO GO BACK TO BEING PRETTY!!
Maybe
UH, YEAH... PERHAPS ...
giggle
I MEAN, SHE WAS ONCE SO PRETTY...
Oh stop, Nanashima-kun!
※: Nanashima's revisionist memory
LET'S GO ASK HER!!
SLIDE
TIME TO LOSE WEIGHT!
OKAY!!

CHOMP
もっちゃ
CHOMP
もっちゃ
YUMMY! ♡
I CAN REALLY HAVE ALL OF THIS?! ♡
OF COURSE! ♡
THIS ONE'S GOOD TOO! ♡

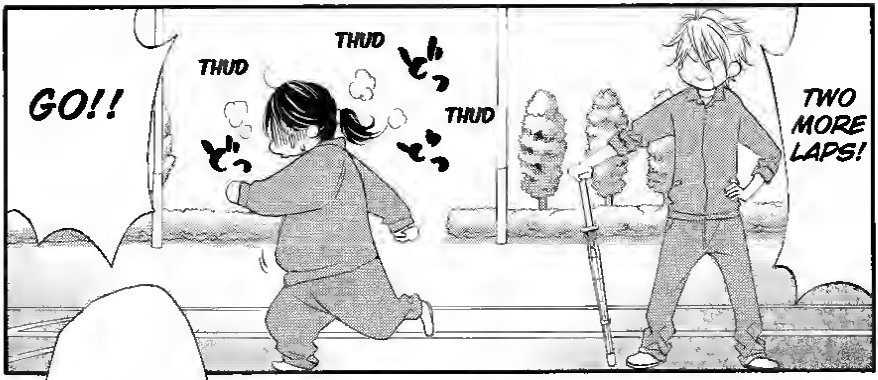
NISHINAAAA?!
WAAAAHHHH!!
WHY, HELLO!
OH!! WELCOME BACK!!
ARE YOU OKAY ?!
OH, SHINO-MIYA-KUN!! I'M REALLY SORRY!!
UH... DON'T WORRY ABOUT ME...!!
NISHINA-SAN, WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
SQUEAL
WELL, SHE'S GOTTEN SO SOFT AND PLUMP ...
THAT I JUST WANT TO FEED HER LOTS OF FOOD!!
IT'S SO WONDERFUL HOW SHE LOOKS LIKE A PINECONE!
OHHH, REALLY?!
PAT PAT
STOP !!

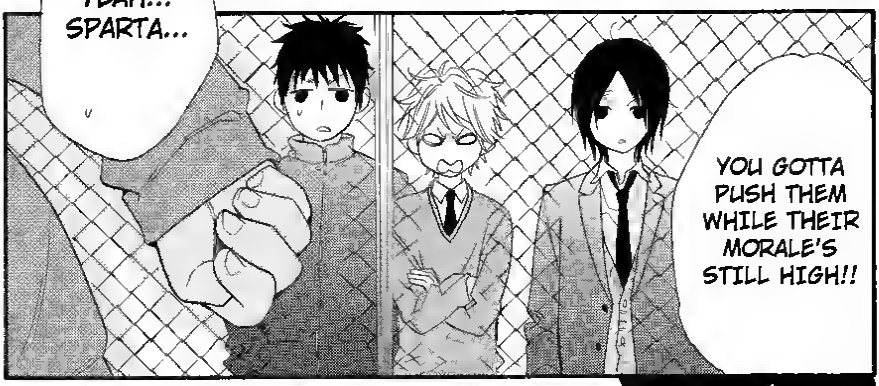
STOP IT, YOU FOOL!
SEE? WE'RE CRYING! DON'T PUSH IT SO FAR!
SOB
SOB
SOB
SOB
SOB
WHAT ON EARTH IS GOING ON?
U-UM, SHIMA-CHAN WAS JUST HAVING A CELEBRATION FOR ME...
"CELEB-RATION"? FOR WHAT?
WELL, I GOT A LETTER IN THE MAIL EARLIER!
WHA... WHAAAT?!
IT SAID THE CHOCOLATE I SUBMITTED FOR THE MIRAGE SAGA VALENTINE'S PROJECT WON THE SPECIAL PRIZE!!
TH... THAT?!
APPARENTLY THE JUDGES REALLY LIKED IT...
NO WAY!!

ON TOP OF THAT, I'VE BEEN INVITED TO THE AWARD CEREMONY!!
THE MIRAGE SAGA DIRECTOR, THE VOICE ACTORS, THE CHARACTER DESIGNERS...
ALL OF THE STAFF I ADMIRE WILL BE THERE!! ISN'T THAT AMAZING?!
YOU'RE GONNA WANNA PUT YOUR BEST FOOT FORWARD AND DRESS YOURSELF UP FOR THIS!
SQUEAL
きゃっ
きゃっ
SQUEAL
LET'S GET YOUR NAILS DECORATED WITH MANGA CHARACTERS!
JOLT
ぐぐぐ
WOWVV! LET'S! LET'S!
GET UP
YEAH
YOU GOTTA PUT YOUR BEST FOOT FORWARD AT THIS EVENT...
SERI-NUMA...

YOU'RE MEETING PEOPLE YOU ADMIRE, AREN'T YOU?
I'LL HELP YOU TOO.
IT MIGHT BE THE CHANCE OF A LIFE-TIME.
LET'S DRESS YOU REAL NICE...
AND HAVE YOU GO MEET THEM LOOKING YOUR ABSOLUTE BEST!
NANA-SHIMA-KUN...!
TOUCHED...
W...

H...HE SAID IT!!
SO FIRST LOSE SOME WEIGHT !!
GRAB
カ!!!!
chatter
chatter
OKAY!!
FLASH


GO!!
THUD
THUD
THUD
どっ
どっ
どっ
TWO MORE LAPS!


YEAH... SPARTA...
YOU GOTTA PUSH THEM WHILE THEIR MORALE'S STILL HIGH!!

GO GET YOUR EYES CHECKED OUT!!
?
WHY ARE YOU DOING THIS?
SHE JUST LOOKS LIKE SHE GOT A TAD BIT CHUBBY...
UM...

WOBBLE
フラ…
I'M… GONNA… DIE…
PANT… PANT…
step
PHEW
PANT
PHEW
PANT
PHEW
PANT
SENPAI! LET'S TAKE A BREAK!
ARE YOU ALL RIGHT? DON'T GO OVERBOARD, OKAY?
GOKURI SWEAT
THANKS, SHIMA-CHAN!
I could use a drink!
SMILE
I'M GONNA DO MY BEST FOR MIRAGE SAGA...!!
DRIP
DRIP
I'M FINE!

I SEE.
WELL, GIVE IT YOUR BEST THEN!
YUP!
LISTEN!!
SLAM
However...
YOU GOTTA EXERCISE! THEN EXERCISE SOME MORE!!
WE'RE GONNA BURN THOSE CALORIES ANY WAY WE CAN!!

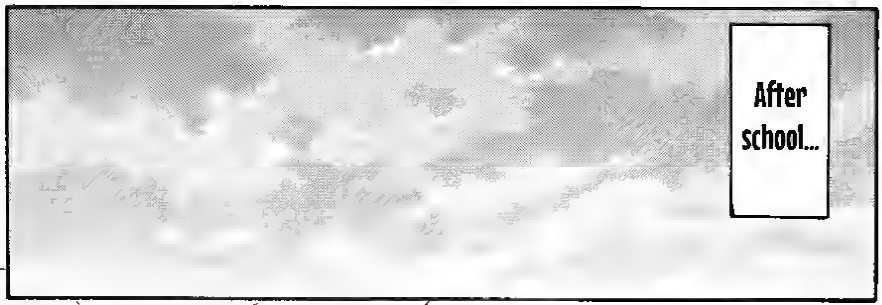
Under Nanashima's tough leadership...
WHEEZE
WHEEZE
PANT
PANT
PANT
WHEEZE
Too slow!
grunt
grunt
oof
oof
grunt
Too fast!
the extreme diet continued day after day...
trembl
trembl
trembl
trembl
She looks like fried shrimp
C'mon, senpai!
WOW!
bubble
bubble

SNATCH
I CAN'T WAIT TO DIG–
SUKI-YAKIII! ♡
It's been so long!
bubble bubble
bubble bubble
MUNCH
YOINK!
H-HEY... YOU'RE SO MEAN, TAKURO !!
You took all of it?!
His evil influence (?) has even penetrated her family!!
SEETHE
Please keep an eye on her!!
You're messaging on LINE with him? How cute dammit!
Gosh, I feel so bad taking my little sis' food!
NOW EAT YOUR VEGET-ABLES.
NANA, WAS IT? ANYWAY, HE ASKED ME TO KEEP AN EYE ON YOU.

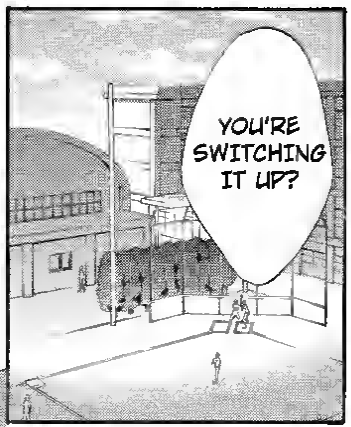
The result!!
ズズ
GLUM
GLUM
ズズ
GLUM
GLUM
ズズ
GLUM
ズズ
GLUM
K-KAE-CHAN... YOU HAVE THE FACE OF DEATH!
Oh my!
あわわわ
しおしお
dejected
OH... I-I DO?
HER FIGURE HASN'T CHANGED, AND SHE LOOKS SO DEPRES-SED...
Why...?

DAMMIT... WHY IS SHE LIKE THAT WHEN SHE'S BEEN SO ACTIVE?!
mumble mumble
NANA!
MAYBE I SHOULD ADD MORE TO HER WORKOUT...
NANA!
DON'T PUSH HER TOO HARD! SHE'S EXHAUSTED!
HUH?! BUT I GOTTA BE TOUGH ON HER!
BESIDES...
Unh!
EVEN YOU WANT HER BACK TO THE WAY SHE WAS, DON'T YOU?!
OH!
CHIME
.....

YOU GUYS MESSAGE EACH OTHER THROUGH LINE...?
You two sure are close
About
OK
and
IT'S FROM SHINO-MIYA...
Look at this.
http://www
...A PIC?
WHAT?


After school...

TAKE IT AWAY, TEACHER!!
Fwip
MM!!
YEAH. WE'RE GONNA CATER THE WORKOUT TO YOU, SERI-NUMA!!

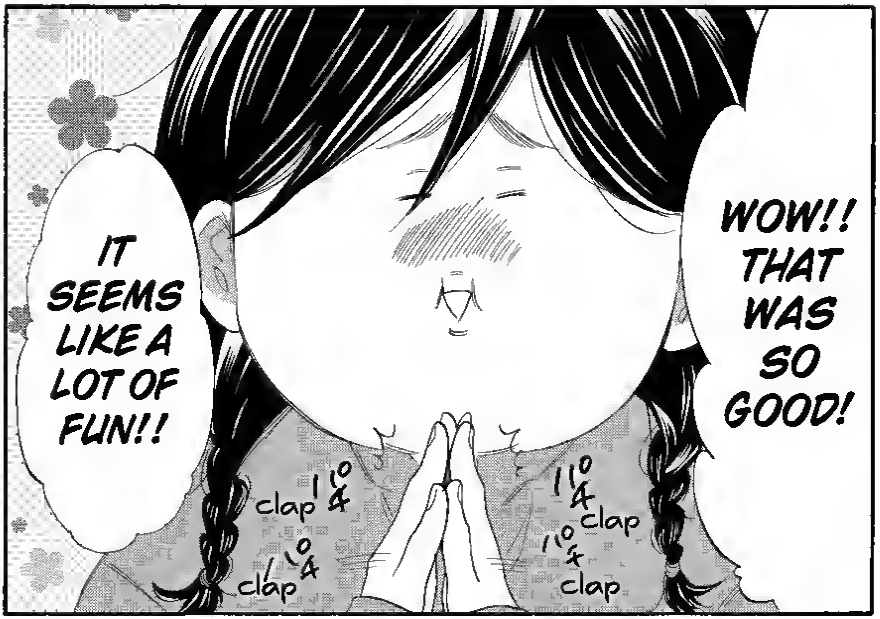

YOU'RE SWITCHING IT UP?

HI!
BOOM
A guide to Otagei
IT'S OTAGEI!!
LET ME EXPLAIN!! "OTAGEI" IS...
CHEER
CHEER
AN ORIGINAL DANCE CHOREO-GRAPHY ORGANIZED BY FANS...
TO CHEER ON STARS AND VOICE ACTORS AT A CONCERT!!
YEAH! C'MON! TIGER FIRE!!

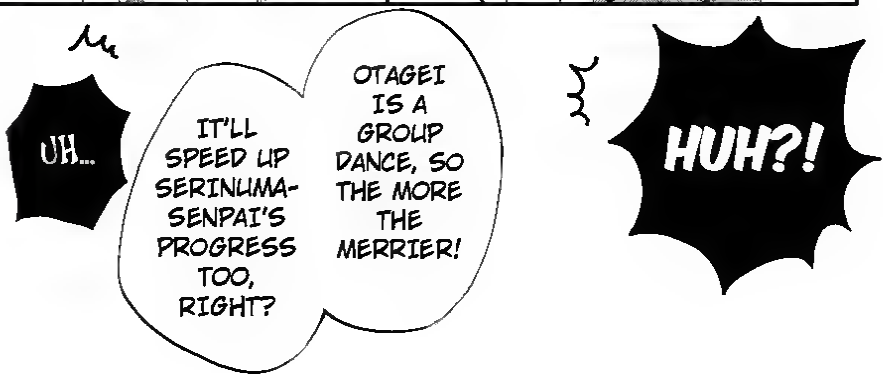
HUH...
AMAZING. THEY'RE PERFECTLY IN SYNC WITH EACH OTHER...
Wow
BUT IT SEEMS QUITE IN-TENSE.
WILL IT BE OKAY FOR HER TO DO IT SO SUDDENLY?
chatter
chatter
IT SHOULD BE FINE! EVEN THE OTAKU CAN DO IT! BESIDES, IT'S OTAGEI!
Maybe
AHEM
IT'LL BE FINE!
WHEN I PRACTICED WHILE WATCHING THE DEMO VIDEO, I WAS ABLE TO DO IT TOO!
HUH?
WATCH...
WHOOSH

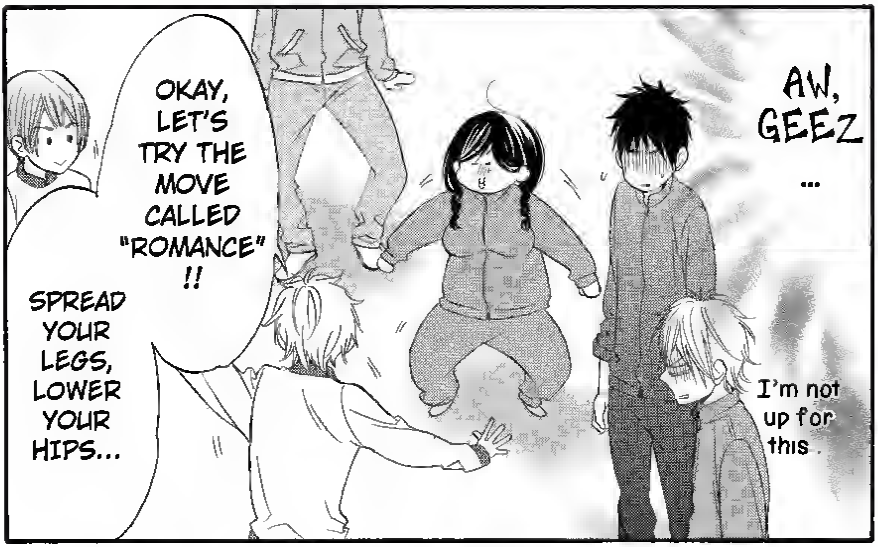
THE
RESULTS
!!

TA-DAH!!
SWOOSH
WH...WHY ARE YOU GUYS BACKING AWAY?!!
Ack!
Whoa
UH... NOTHING! IT WAS GREAT... YOU'RE, UH, REALLY GOOD!!
C'MON! LOOK ME IN THE EYES!!


WOW!! THAT WAS SO GOOD!
clap
clap
clap
clap
IT SEEMS LIKE A LOT OF FUN!!

PLEASE GIVE ME LESSONS !!
BOW
freeze
ER... UH... S-SURE !!
GREAT! HOW 'BOUT WE ALL GIVE IT A TRY?


HUH?!
OTAGEI IS A GROUP DANCE, SO THE MORE THE MERRIER!
IT'LL SPEED UP SERINUMA-SENPAI'S PROGRESS TOO, RIGHT?
UH...


AW, GEEZ ...
I'm not up for this.
OKAY, LET'S TRY THE MOVE CALLED "ROMANCE" !!
SPREAD YOUR LEGS, LOWER YOUR HIPS...

POINT BOTH INDEX FINGERS UP TO THE LEFT...
THEN UP, THEN DOWN... YEAH, LIKE THAT!
HEY! VERY GOOD, MUTSUMI-SENPAI!
Yeahhh!
YA THINK SO?
NANASHIMA-SENPAI, PUT MORE ENERGY INTO IT!!
OH, SHAD-DUP!!
NICE! NEXT, UP TO THE RIGHT!
LEFT, LEFT, RIGHT, RIGHT ...
...
LEFT, LEFT, RIGHT, RIGHT, RIGHT, LEFT, RIGHT, LEFT, LEFT, LEFT!
RIGHT, RIGHT, LEFT, LEFT, LEFT, RIGHT, LEFT, LEFT, LEFT!
POINT

OOOHHHH!
IT'S SUPER FUN!!
SWING SWING
OH YEAH!!
SWING SWING
WHOA, SHE'S FAST!!
H...HEY! THIS IS PRETTY FUN!!
THIS MYSTERIOUS SENSE OF ACCOMPLISHMENT!!
ISN'T IT?!
pant pant
AND IT'S AN AWESOME WORKOUT TOO!!
pant
pant
RIGHT, SERINUMA?
ER...
LET'S GO AGAIN!!
NICE! I CAN DO THIS!!
They're hooked.

MAYBE WE SHOULD TAKE A SHORT BREAK, SINCE THE MOVES ARE PRETTY INTENSE...
NON-SENSE!!
WE'RE GONNA GO UNTIL WE HIT OUR BODIES' LIMIT! RIGHT, SERINUMA?
HUH?!
UH, OKAY.
REALLY, SERINUMA-SENPAI... DON'T OVERDO IT...
"LIMIT" ...?
OH, IT'S OKAY!
I'M F-FINE! YUP!!
I MEAN, YOU'RE ALL DOING IT TOGETHER WITH ME!
I CAN DO IT!!
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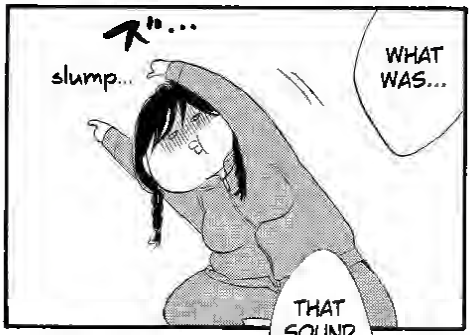
WHOOSH

...?
...
HUH?


slump...
WHAT WAS...

THAT SOUND ...
fall...
JUST NOW?

THUD
ドオオ
SE... SERI-NUMA ?!
throb
throb
SO SHE'S BEEN EXERCISING HEAVILY RECENTLY?
THE STRAIN WAS PROBABLY TOO MUCH FOR HER BACK...
I SEE...
groan
groan

APPARENTLY SHE'LL RECOVER QUICKLY WITH BED REST.
OH, THAT'S A RELIEF.
HOW IS SHE?!
!
ガラッ
slide
SOMETHING I NEED TO SAY...
THERE'S ...

#12 I REALIZED

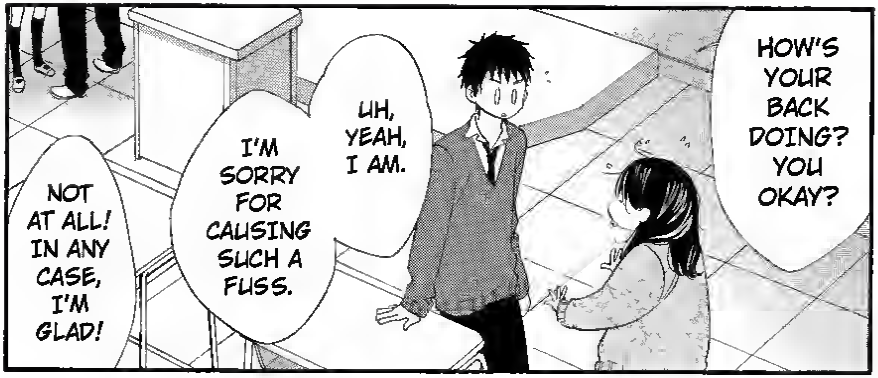
THERE'S SOMETHING I NEED TO SAY...
PLEASE STOP MAKING HER WORK OUT ANY FURTHER.

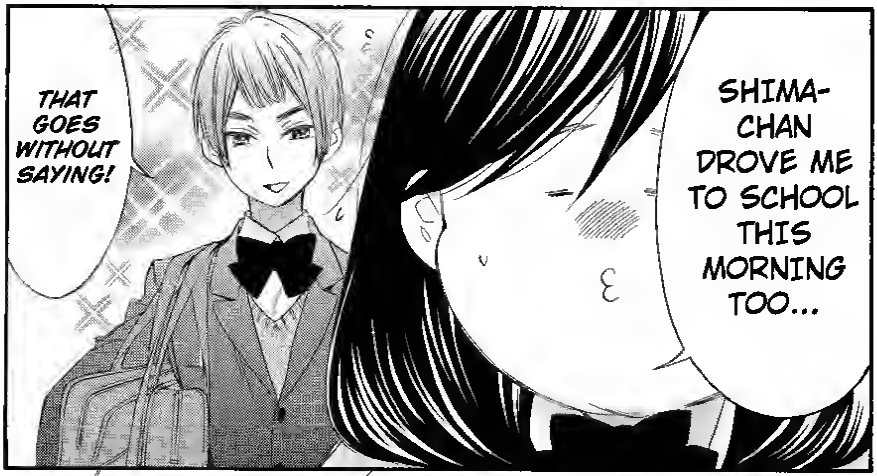
HUH?!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?!
THIS IS WHAT HAPPENS WHEN WE PUSH HER TOO HARD.
IT DOESN'T TURN OUT WELL!!
CRACKLE
CRACKLE
CRACKLE
FRANKLY, YOU'RE FAR TOO AGGRESSIVE WITH HER, NANASHIMA-SENPAI!!
"HELP"?! YOU WERE THE ONE WHO PUSHED HER TOO HARD IN THE FIRST PLACE!
HUH?! I WAS JUST TRYING TO HELP!!
AND IT'S YOUR FAULT THAT SHE GOT INJURED!

WHA–
fwip
STOP IT!
YOU WENT TOO FAR, NISHINA-SAN.
BOTH OF YOU, CALM YOUR-SELVES.
THERE'S NO POINT IN YOU BOTH BICKERING AND ARGUING.
IT'S SERINUMA-SAN'S CALL AS TO WHETHER SHE WANTS TO CONTINUE OR STOP HER WORKOUT.
raise
RIGHT?

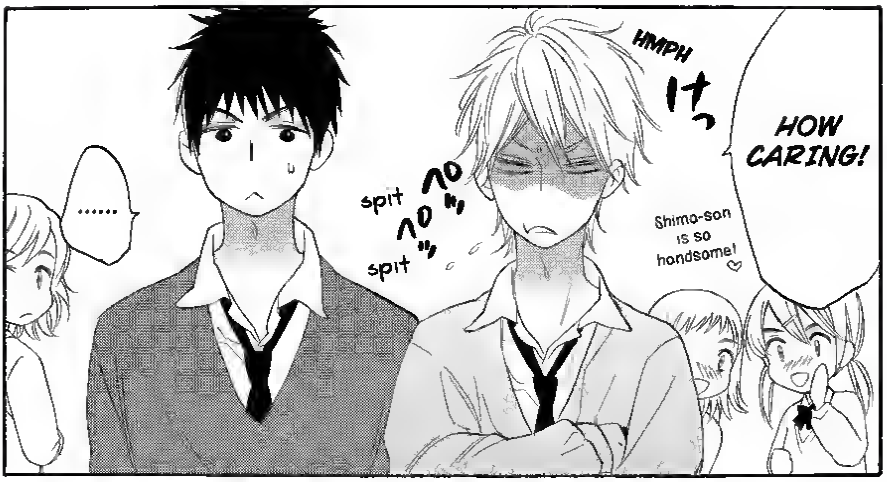
slide
AT ANY RATE ...
I'M GONNA TAKE MY CAR AND DRIVE HER HOME TODAY, SO...
SLAM
CALL IT A DAY!!
THE HELL'S HER PROB-LEM?!
flustered
flustered
I...I'M SORRY.
I'M THE ONE WHO SUGGESTED SOMETHING INTENSE LIKE OTAGEI!
HUH? THAT'S NOT IT, YOU DUMMY!

.....
But
sob
Man, you're a bummer!!
Stop being so shaken up!!
のそり
SLUGGISH
GOOD MORNING.
.....
clatter
OH, SERI-NUMA-SAN.


HOW'S YOUR BACK DOING? YOU OKAY?
UH, YEAH, I AM.
I'M SORRY FOR CAUSING SUCH A FUSS.
NOT AT ALL! IN ANY CASE, I'M GLAD!


SHIMA-CHAN DROVE ME TO SCHOOL THIS MORNING TOO...
THAT GOES WITHOUT SAYING!

BE CAREFUL, OKAY?
O-OKAY!
OH, AND THANKS FOR CARRYING MY BAG!! SORRY!
NOT AT ALL!
IT'S ONLY NATURAL!
smile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spit
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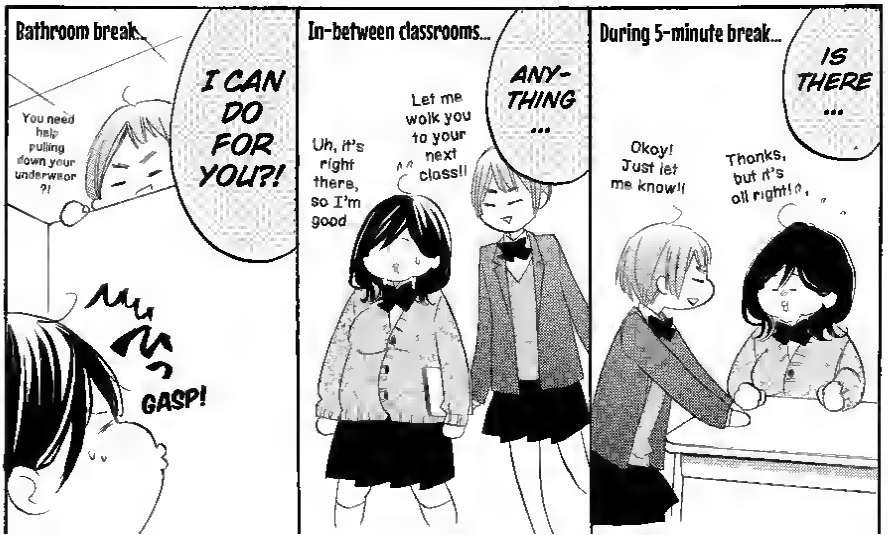
HMPH
HOW CARING!
Shima-san is so handsome!

SERINUMA-SENPAI!
However...


Bathroom break...
You need help pulling down your underwear?!
I CAN DO FOR YOU?!
GASP!
In-between classrooms...
Uh, it's right there, so I'm good
Let me walk you to your next class!!
ANY-THING...
During 5-minute break...
Okay! Just let me know!!
Thanks, but it's all right!!
IS THERE...

ding dong
GASP
Yesss!! It's lunch time!!
Food! Food!
EVERY TIME I HAVE A LITTLE SPARE TIME, SHE POPS UP...
I'M GLAD THAT SHE'S CONCERNED FOR ME, BUT...
SHIMA-CHAN SURE WORRIES A LOT ABOUT ME...

GRAB
I SHOULD RUN...
NO, I CAN'T... I'D FEEL BAD...
FLUSTERED
あぁあぁ
OH NO!! SHE'S GONNA SHOW UP AGAIN!!
COME ON!
HUH?!
WH-WHERE ...?!
IGA-RASHI-KUN?!

KER-CHAK
カッ
ニャッ
whoosh
OHHH!
THE WIND FEELS NIIICE !!
U... UM...?
WHEEZE
PANT
WHEEZE
PANT
OH... SORRY...
SWEAT SWEAT
BUT YOU LOOKED TROUBLED WHEN I SAW YOU, SO I JUST...
DID I GET THE WRONG IDEA?

.....
YOU DID SORTA HELP ME, TO BE HONEST... THANKS.
HAHA!
Uh.
I GET THAT NISHINA-SAN IS WORRIED ABOUT YOU, BUT THAT'S OVERKILL...
ka-sha
SHIMA-CHAN IS KIND, SO...
I FEEL REALLY BAD FOR MAKING HER SO WORRIED ...

whoosh
AND SHINOMIYA-KUN WAS REALLY APOLOGETIC TOO...
WHEN REALLY IT WAS JUST CAUSE I GOT CARRIED AWAY YESTERDAY ...
I CAUSED A LOT OF TROUBLE.
badump
ドキン
WHA... WHAT IS IT?!
I'M PUMPING MYSELF UP AGAIN!!
HUH?
ばっちん!!
SMACK
HMPH !!
jolt

AND ABOVE ALL, I WAS THE ONE WHO DECIDED TO DO MY BEST FOR MIRAGE SAGA!!
EVERYONE'S BEEN HELPING ME SO MUCH!
SO I GOTTA SEE THIS THROUGH !!
THE WAY YOU ARE...
Harumph!
Harumph!
All righty!
Let's do this!

HOW YOU'RE ALWAYS SO POSI-TIVE...
SO BRIGHT AND HONEST ...
SO INTER-ESTING ...
HOW YOU DON'T GIVE UP SO EASILY ...
YEAH ...
SERI-NUMA-SAN...

WHOOSH

YOU'RE STILL THE SAME PERSON.

GRUMBLE
LET'S GO, IGARASHI-KUN.
UH, RIGHT.
WE BETTER EAT LUNCH!
AH!
I'M FINE NOW!
THANKS FOR CARING ABOUT ME, IGARASHI-KUN!
AH, THAT'S GOOD.

2-A
HEY!
munch munch
もぐもぐ
...HUH?
By the time I got here, you were gone
I BOUGHT YOU BREAD, Y'KNOW!
WHERE'D YOU GO, MAN?
WHY ARE YOU LOOKING OFF INTO SPACE?
WHAT'S UP?
NANA...
I LIKE SERI-NUMA-SAN...
HUH? I KNOW THAT...
NO... NOT LIKE THAT...

RIGHT NOW...
I'VE FALLEN IN LOVE WITH HER ALL OVER AGAIN...

NOW?
NOW.
NOW ?!
I WAS UNSURE ABOUT IT ALL THIS TIME...
ガーン
SHOCK

IT'S NOT TRIVIAL WHEN THE DIFFE-RENCE IS THIS BIG!!
BUT NOW I GET IT... LOOKS ARE TRIVIAL...!!
DON'T START SPOUT-ING THE SAME CRAP AS NISHINA, YOU DIM-WIT!!
I MEAN, ISN'T IT WONDERFUL HOW SHE LOOKS LIKE A PINECONE RIGHT NOW?
HAHAHA! OH, NANA...
ARE YOU SAYING YOU'RE GONNA SETTLE FOR THAT?!
GET AHOLD OF YOUR-SELF, YOU IDIOT!!
shake
shake
shake
YOU STUPID IDIOT!!
HEY!
BOLT
Y...YOU TRAITOR!!

After school...
JUST IN CASE, I WANNA MAKE SURE...
YOU'RE REALLY OKAY STARTING THE WORKOUT AGAIN?
YES!!
I WANNA GIVE IT ANOTHER SHOT! PLEASE!!
ペコッ
BOW

BUT...
IF IT SEEMS LIKE YOU'RE GONNA HURT YOURSELF AGAIN, I HAVE TO OBJECT.
I...
WANT TO SUPPORT YOUR DECISION, SERINUMA-SENPAI...
OKAY, I UNDER-STAND.
BUT, SEN-PAI...
I'LL BE CAREFUL, SO DON'T WORRY!
I JUST PUSHED MYSELF TOO FAR THAT TIME!
IT'LL BE OKAY, SHIMA-CHAN!
APPEAR
HEH
HEH
HEH
HEH
LIGHT EXERCISE WON'T CUT IT...
YOU HAVE A DEADLINE, AND IF YOU WANNA BE READY BY THEN...

ドン
BOOM
THAT'S WHERE WE COME IN!!
WHAT? HAVE YOU COME UP WITH ANOTHER LAME IDEA?
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IT'S NOT LAME!
AND ALSO ...
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RUMBLE
RUMBLE
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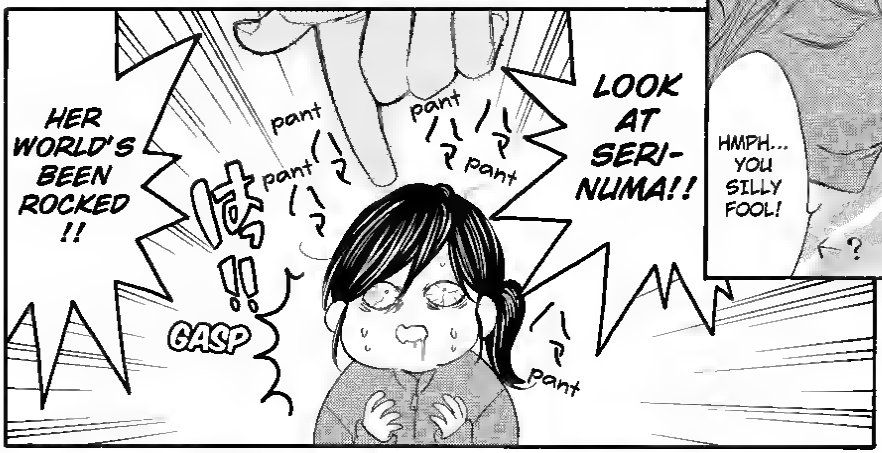
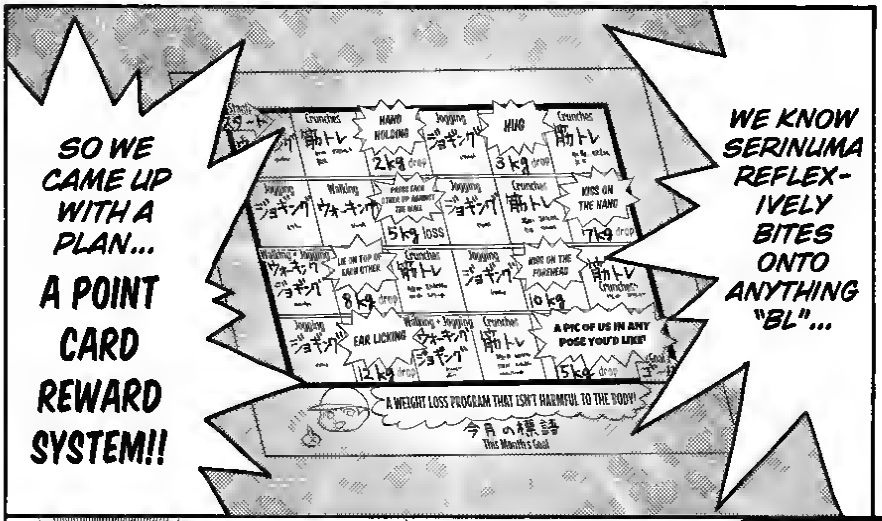
RUMBLE
WHY ARE YOU TWO HOLDING HANDS...?


HMPH... YOU SILLY FOOL!
LOOK AT SERI-NUMA!!
HER WORLD'S BEEN ROCKED!!
pant
GASP


WE KNOW SERINUMA REFLEX-IVELY BITES ONTO ANYTHING "BL"...
SO WE CAME UP WITH A PLAN...
A POINT CARD REWARD SYSTEM!!
A WEIGHT LOSS PROGRAM THAT ISN'T HARMFUL TO THE BODY!
今月の標語
This Month's Goal

IF SHE MEETS THE STANDARD, WE WILL DO SOMETHING TOGETHER IN FRONT OF HER!
DESPERATE
やけくそ
I GUESS THEY DON'T CARE HOW THEY LOOK ANYMORE!!

H-HOW MANY POINTS IS A HUG?!
PANT
PANT
DROOL
SHE BIT HARD!!
BLAST
WHOAAA! SHE'S SO FAST!!
Scary!!
CALM DOWN!!
thud
thud
UM... THAT'S A WEIGHT LOSS OF 3 KILOS.
I'LL LOSE IT IN 5 MINUTES!
HUH?
shwp
SERI-NUMA-SAN!

GASP
はっ!!
AH!! OOPS!
PACE YOUR-SELF.
YOU'RE GONNA HURT YOURSELF AGAIN IF YOU PUSH YOURSELF SO SUDD-ENLY.
YOU'RE QUITE KIND TO HER.
ISN'T IT NATURAL TO BE KIND TO THE PERSON YOU LIKE?
YOU THINK SO?

TO BE HONEST WITH YOU...
I WAS AT A LOSS...
SINCE SERINUMA-SAN WENT BACK TO HER OLD BODY SHAPE.
'CAUSE I THOUGHT IT WAS HER LOOKS THAT I WAS ATTRACTED TO...
Haha!
BUT BEFORE I REALIZED IT, I FOUND MYSELF ATTRACTED TO HER CHEERFULNESS AND HER GENTLENESS.
NOW I CAN SAY FOR CERTAIN ...
I LIKE SERINUMA-SAN.

THAT'S WHY I WANT TO BE KIND TO HER, AND DO WHATEVER I CAN FOR HER.
step
スッ
THAT SPIRIT ...
I SEE.
hmph

WHAT'S UP WITH HER?
IS QUITE BEAUTI-FUL.
And as Serinuma's weight loss regimen progressed smoothly...

She reached her goal!
slim
swish
AMAZ-ING!!
clap
clap
CON-GRATS!!

HAGGARD
YOUR HARD WORK PAID OFF...!!
OH GOOD...
NO NO!!
IT'S ALL THANKS TO HOW MUCH YOU KEPT MOTIVATING ME THOSE TIMES I WAS ABOUT TO GIVE IN FROM THE INTENSITY!
I COULDN'T HAVE DONE IT WITHOUT ALL OF YOU!!
THANK YOU!!
badump
SIGH...
shine
shine

Aaaagh!
Giver
Receiver
Exempt
Exempt
shuuuuuuu
shuuuuuuu
WE DID OUR BEST...
sob
blank
WE REALLY DID...!!
I'm licking his ear?
Meek!
For licking?
I FEEL THE SAME WAY, SENPAI...!!
sob
I'M G...GLAD OUR WORK P...PAID OFF...
ALL THAT'S LEFT ...
IS THIS!
Achivement Bonus
達成ボーナス
Igarashi will kiss Nana
※ Back of card
IGA-RASHI-SENPAI! ♡

I ADDED A LITTLE SOMETHING EXTRA TO GIVE HER FURTHER INCENTIVE!
WHAT'S THAT?!
WHY WOULD YOU-?!
HUH?!
WELL...
DIDN'T YOU SAY YOU WANTED TO DO WHATEVER YOU COULD FOR HER?
excited
SHOW US THAT BEAU-TIFUL SPIRIT OF YOURS! ♡

ARE YOU FOR REAL?!
TREMBLE
TREMBLE
TREMBLE
WHAT THE-?!
HOLD ON A SEC!!
Y...
YOU CAN'T BE SERIOUS!
TREMBLE
WHAT?! YOU'RE BEING SERIOUS?! C'MON, DON'T MESS AROUND!
GRAB
HUH?!
turn
MMPH!
The Mirage Saga Valentine's Project Award Ceremony apparently ended without a hitch.
AAAAAHHH!